

the 65th Infantry Regiment of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, known as the "Borinqueneers", the only active duty, segregated Latino military unit in United States history;

Whereas, as of 2015, there were more than 1,200,200 living Hispanic veterans of the Armed Forces, including 136,000 Latinas;

Whereas 61 Hispanic Americans have received the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest award for valor in action against an enemy force bestowed on an individual serving in the Armed Forces;

Whereas Hispanic Americans are dedicated public servants, holding posts at the highest levels of the Government of the United States, including 1 seat on the Supreme Court of the United States, 4 seats in the Senate, 34 seats in the House of Representatives, and 1 seat in the Cabinet; and

Whereas Hispanic Americans harbor a deep commitment to family and community, an enduring work ethic, and a perseverance to succeed and contribute to society: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15, 2018, through October 15, 2018;

(2) esteems the integral role of Latinos and the manifold heritage of Latinos in the economy, culture, and identity of the United States; and

(3) urges the people of the United States to observe Hispanic Heritage Month with appropriate programs and activities that celebrate the contributions of Latinos to the United States.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I have 13 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

#### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining Safeguards for Consumer Data Privacy."

#### COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Cleaning up the Oceans: How to Reduce the Impact of Man-made Trash on the Environment, Wildlife, and Human Health?"

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Impact of Tariffs on the U.S. Automotive Industry."

#### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the ses-

sion of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 11 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

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The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 11 a.m., to conduct a hearing on the nomination of Francisco Luis Palmieri, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Honduras, Department of State.

#### COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on pending legislation and the nomination of Peter T. Gaynor to be Deputy Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

#### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

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The Committee on Indian Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Justice for Native Youth. The GAO Report on 'Native American Youth Involvement in Justice Systems and Information on Grants to Help Address Juvenile Delinquency.'"

#### COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

The Committee on Rules and Administration is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Register of Copyrights Selection and Accountability Act."

#### COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 3 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The State of the VA: A 60 day Report."

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON CYBERSECURITY

The Subcommittee on Cybersecurity of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE, SCIENCE, AND COMPETITIVENESS

The Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 2:15 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Global Space Race: Ensuring the United States Remains the Leader in Space."

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL SPENDING OVERSIGHT AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "The Federal Role in the Toxic PFAS Chemical Crisis."

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. MERKLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that my intern, Blanca Gaytan Farfan, be granted privileges of the floor for the remainder of the day.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 93-642, reappoints the following Senator to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation: The Honorable ROY BLUNT of Missouri.

#### REAUTHORIZING THE CONGRESSIONAL AWARD ACT

Mr. FLAKE. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. 3509 introduced earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3509) to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FLAKE. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 3509) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 3509

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Congressional Award Program Reauthorization Act of 2018".

#### SEC. 2. TERMINATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 108 of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C. 808) is amended by striking "October 1, 2018" and inserting "October 1, 2023".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2018.

#### JUSTICE SERVED ACT OF 2018

Mr. FLAKE. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 4854.